

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/022,457

Examiner

Isis Ghali

Applicant(s)

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 4/11/05.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 6,7 and 11-15.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 29 October 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
 - * Certified copies not received: _____.

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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 4/24/03; 4/7/03; 10/16/02; 10/7/02; 7/29/02;
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material 2/15/02;
10/29/01-
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☒ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date 4/11/05.
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

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The receipt is acknowledged of applicant's appeal brief filed 1/28/2005.

Terminal Disclaimer

1. The terminal disclaimer filed on 11/17/2004 disclaiming the terminal portion of any patent granted on this application which would extend beyond the expiration date of US Applications 10/022,458 and US 10/370,855 has been reviewed and is accepted. The terminal disclaimer has been recorded.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Milton Honig on April 11, 2005.

The application has been amended as follows:

- 1) Cancel claims 1-5, 8-10.
- 2) In claim 6, line 1, delete the word "system" and replace it by --- method---; and delete "5" and replace it by --- 15 ---.
- 3) In claim 7:

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- line 1, delete the word "system" and replace it by --- method---; and delete "4" and replace it by --- 15 ---;
- line 1, delete "test device" and replace it by --- proof tape ----;
- line 2, delete "polymeric layer" and replace it by --- adhesive ----;
- line 3, delete "polymeric layer" and replace it by --- adhesive ----;

4) In claim 11:

- line 1, delete the word "system" and replace it by --- method---; and delete "10" and replace it by --- 15 ---;
- delete the phrase "selected from the group consisting of" that bridges lines 1 and 2 and replace it by the phrase --- a material activated by ----;
- line 2, delete the word "initiating" and replace it by replace it by the phrase ---- that initiates ----;
- delete the phrase "component forming the image" at the end of the claim at line 4 and replace it by the word ---- adhesive----.

5) In claim 12:

- line 1, delete the word "system" and replace it by --- method---; and delete "1" and replace it by --- 15----.
- line 1, delete the phrase "test device" and replace it by the phrase ---- support substrate ----;
- line 2, delete the phrase "test device";
- line 2, delete the word "strip" and replace it by the phrase --- proof tape ----;
- line 3, delete the word "composition" and replace it by the word --- product----.

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6) In claim 13:

- line 1, delete the word "system" and replace it by --- method---; and delete "1" and replace it by --- 15----.
- line 1, delete the phrase "test device" and replace it by the phrase
---- proof tape ----;
- line 3, delete the word "composition" and replace it by the word --- product----.

7) In claim 14:

- line 1, delete the word "system" and replace it by --- method---; and delete "1" and replace it by --- 15----.
- line 1, delete the phrase "test device" and replace it by the phrase
---- proof tape ----;
- line 2, delete the word "composition" and replace it by the word --- product----.
- line 3, delete the phrase "test device" and replace it by the phrase
---- proof tape ----.

8) In claim 15, line 8, step (ii) delete the word device; and in line 13, step (D) delete the word "strip" and replace it by the phrase ---- proof tape ---.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the closest prior art does not teach or suggest method for evaluating efficacy of anti-aging agent comprising applying the product then placing adhesive proof tape on the treated area repeatedly and applying fixative for comparison.

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Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Isis Ghali whose telephone number is (571) 272-0595. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday, 7:00 to 5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thurman Page can be reached on (571) 272-0602. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571) 273-8300.

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